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RE: New Patent Application in U.S.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a continuation-in-part application entitled, MONOCLONAL AND CHIMERIC ANTIBODIES SPECIFIC FOR HUMAN TUMOR NECROSIS FACTOR. The inventors are Junming LE, Jan VILCEK, Peter E. DADDONA, John GHRAYEB, David M. KNIGHT and Scott A. SIEGEL. No priority is claimed. The above-identified patent application is a continuation-in-part application of USSN 07/853,606, filed on March 18, 1992, which is a continuation-in-part application of 07/670,827, filed on March 18, 1991, now abandoned.

Attached are the specification (112 pages), including 51 claims and an abstract, plus 25 sheets of drawing (24 Figures), sequence listing with computer disk and a return postcard. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.53(a) and (b), it is respectfully requested that a serial number and filing date be assigned to this application as of the date of receipt of the present papers. In accordance with the present procedures of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, an executed Declaration and the filing fee for the present application will be filed in due course.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> No authorization is given for charging the filing fee at the present time. However, at such time that the declaration is filed, but not before, you are authorized to charge the filing fee and any extension of time fees then due to Deposit Account 02-4035.

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